

Arkansas

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Arkansas Chick Placements Down 8 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas was 22.9 million during the week ending December 30, 2006. Placements were down 8 percent from the comparable week in 2005, and down 4 percent from the previous week, and included 2.3 million chicks shipped in from other states.

The broiler-type chicks hatched for the week was 23.8 million, down 8 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier and down 4 percent from the revised previous week. Of the total hatch, 3.1 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 83 percent.

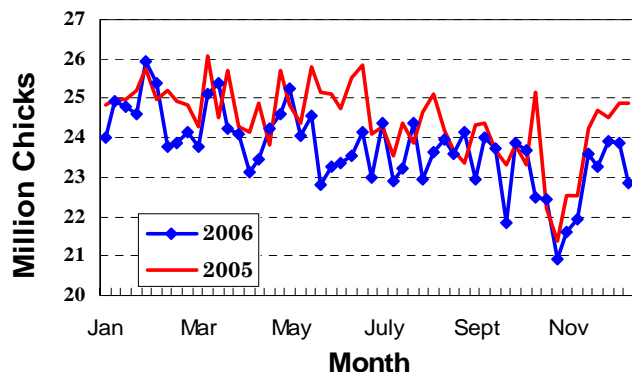
Arkansas hatcheries set 29.5 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending December 30, 2006, down 6 percent from the same period last year, but up 2 percent the revised previous week.

Week Ending ¹	Chicks Placed			Chicks Hatched			Eggs Set		
	2005	2006	% of Prev. Year	2005	2006	% of Prev. Year	2005	2006	% of Prev. Year
	<i>Thousand</i>			<i>Thousand</i>			<i>Thousand</i>		
Nov. 25	22,533	21,931	97	23,954	22,944	96	31,076	29,644	95
Dec. 2	24,258	23,607	97	25,482	24,442	96	31,213	29,786*	95
Dec. 9	24,691	23,250	94	25,636	24,702	96	31,244	28,614	92
Dec. 16	24,511	23,904	98	25,802	24,588	95	31,451	29,789	95
Dec. 23	24,894	23,869*	96	25,950	24,718*	95	31,359	28,933*	92
Dec. 30	24,894	22,870	92	25,934	23,839	92	31,397	29,531	94

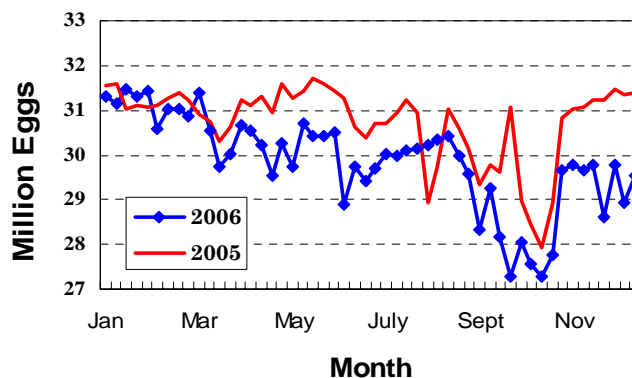
¹ For previous year, it is the comparable week.

* Revised in current week

Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2005-2006



Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2005 - 2006



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Weeks, December 2 - December 30, 2006

State	Eggs Set							Chicks Placed						
	Week Ending							Week Ending						
	2-Dec	9-Dec	16-Dec	23-Dec	30-Dec	% 1/		2-Dec	9-Dec	16-Dec	23-Dec	30-Dec	% 1/	
	<i>Thousand</i>							<i>Thousand</i>						
Alabama	31,149 *	30,593	30,327	30,372 *	30,508	98		20,721	19,686	20,225	20,903 *	20,412	97	
Arkansas	29,786 *	28,614	29,789	28,933 *	29,531	94		23,607	23,250	23,904	23,869 *	22,870	92	
Delaware	3,943	3,963	3,913	3,572	3,963	100		4,941	5,287	4,366	4,914 *	4,260	77	
Florida	1,264	1,344 *	1,353	1,342	1,342	98		1,194	1,484	1,685	1,517 *	1,401	96	
Georgia	35,793	34,499 *	35,819	34,664 *	35,205	102		26,515	28,138	28,590	29,066 *	28,025	105	
Kentucky	7,899 *	6,454 *	7,465	7,263 *	7,310	105		5,717	6,174	5,922	6,331 *	5,220	94	
Louisiana	3,712	3,712	3,742	3,742	3,649	88		3,445	3,635	3,606	3,816	3,420	96	
Maryland	8,495	8,482	8,531	8,498 *	8,531	95		5,340	5,761	6,675	5,944 *	6,617	119	
Mississippi	17,007	17,147	17,960	18,374 *	18,439	99		15,302	15,762	16,075	15,238 *	15,312	92	
N. Carolina	18,825	18,555 *	19,039	18,688	18,224	96		15,586	15,496	15,454	15,445	15,442	103	
Oklahoma	6,449	6,447	6,177	6,483 *	6,386	96		4,805	5,424	4,180	4,754 *	5,288	102	
Pennsylvania	4,023	3,901	4,002	3,920 *	4,053	107		2,846	2,915	2,949	2,982 *	2,767	90	
S. Carolina	5,574	5,471	5,530	5,230 *	5,610	109		4,998	4,578	4,521	4,561 *	4,475	95	
Texas	14,309	14,080	14,138	14,112	14,233	94		11,670	12,142	12,085	12,052	11,789	91	
Virginia	6,399	5,959	6,075	6,164 *	6,238	98		5,017	4,776	5,186	5,275 *	4,407	85	
CA,MO,TN & WV	17,606	17,863	17,890 *	17,839 *	17,878	105		16,374	16,980	17,102 *	16,635 *	16,594	101	
19 State Total	212,233 *	207,084 *	211,750 *	209,196 *	211,100			168,078	171,488	172,525	173,302 *	168,299		
Prev. Year Total	214,156	213,249	215,686	212,232	214,172			171,991	173,392	175,810	174,733	173,580		
% of Prev. Year	99	97	98	99	99			98	99	98	97	97		
Approximate Marketing Date 2006 2/								20-Jan	27-Jan	3-Feb	10-Feb	17-Feb		

* Revised in current week.

1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

2/ Industry average; seven weeks from placement.

Broiler Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 211 million eggs in incubators during the week ending December 30, 2006. This was down 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Down 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 168 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 30, 2006. Placements were down 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 1, 2006 through December 30, 2006 were 8.95 billion, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.